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159th Street Closure at Metra Tracks in Orland Park

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), in conjunction with Metra, announced that 159th Street (U.S. 6) will be fully closed to traffic at the SouthWest Service Line tracks between 104th Avenue and 108th Avenue, in Orland Park, beginning, weather permitting, the morning of Wednesday, Aug. 19.

A detour will be posted. Westbound traffic will use 104th Avenue, 167th Street, and 108th Avenue to reconnect with 159th Street. Eastbound traffic will follow the reverse route.

The closure, scheduled to be removed by the morning of Aug. 29, is necessary for railroad crossing improvements to accommodate the upcoming reconstruction and widening of 159th Street from west of Ravina Avenue to just east of Gougar Road. There will be no impact to scheduled train service.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1 at <http://goo.gl/upgvZu>. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com.

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